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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV, CG  
SUBJECT: LATEST ROUND IN GOZ PERSONNEL CHANGES

1. PRESIDENT MOBUTU INFORMED AMBASSADOR DURING AUGUST 19 MEETING  
(REPORTED SEPTTEL) OF LATEST GOVERNMENT  
MENT RESHUFFLE TO FILL VACANCIES  
AT BANK OF ZAIRE AND DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. CHANGES,  
SUBSEQUENTLY ANNOUNCED BY ZAIRIAN RADIO, ARE AS FOLLOWS:  
A) UMBA-DI-LUTETE, FORMER AMBASSADOR TO UN, REPLACES NGUZA  
AS COMMISSIONER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.  
B) BOFOSSA W'AMB'EA NKOSO, FORMER COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE,  
REPLACES SAMBWA AS GOVERNOR OF BANK OF ZAIRE.  
C) KIAKWAMA KIA KIZIKI, FORMER COMMISSIONER OF PORTFOLIO,  
REPLACES BOFOSSA AS COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.  
D) NYEMBO SHABANI, FORMER COMMISSIONER OF NATIONAL ECONOMY,  
REPLACES KIAKWAMA AS COMMISSIONER OF PORTFOLIO.  
E) KAPEND SAKABWANG MOND, FORMER ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL  
OF DEPARTMENT OF MINES, REPLACES NYEMBO AS COMMISSIONER OF  
NATIONAL ECONOMY.

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F) KABEYA WA MUKEBA, FORMER AMBASSADOR TO ETHIOPIA AND TO THE  
OAU, REPLACES UMBA AS AMBASSADOR TO UN.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, BOFOSSA HAS SOUGHT SINCE SAMBWA'S  
REMOVAL TO REASSURE ALL CONCERNED THAT HIS POSITION ON SUCH  
ISSUES AS THE IMF STABILIZATION PLAN AND THE LONDON AGREEMENT IS  
IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF SAMBWA. RELATIVE TO SAMBWA, HOWEVER,

HE HAS BEEN IN THE PAST A LESS EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATOR AND MAY PROVE LESS COURAGEOUS IN OPPOSING SPENDING PROPOSALS WHICH COULD IMPAIR GOZ BUDGET PERFORMANCE.

3. WE FIND ENCOURAGING THE RETENTION OF KIAKWAMA AND NYEMBO AND THE ADDITION OF KAPEND. ALL HAVE GOOD REPUTATIONS AS UNCORRUPT, COMPETENT TECHNOCRATS.

4. THE RETURN TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF UMBA-DI-LUTETE, ON THE OTHER HAND, MAY PROVE DISAPPOINTING. DESPITE CONSIDERABLE DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE AND A RELATIVELY FAVORABLE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE US, UMBA DID NOT IMPRESS THE EMBASSY FAVORABLY DURING HIS PREVIOUS STINT AS COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1974-75.

5. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON KAPEND AND KABEYA FOLLOWS SEPTTEL. WOULD WELCOME ANY COMMENTS FROM USUN ON UMBA'S MORE RECENT PERFORMANCE.

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